Profits made by Drug Companies on sale of Rifampicin

69. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some drug companies made huge unintended profits on finished medicines based on Rifampicin used by some poor TB and Leprotic patients during the last few years;

(b) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry had worked out the amount overcharged by these companies and had already made a claim against each long back;

(c) if so, when was the amount worked out and claim made alongwith the amount due from each company; and

(d) what are the reasons for not recovering the amount so far and by when the same will be recovered?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) to (d) To the extent information is available, the amount of unintended benefit worked out as due from four companies is given below. Action to recover the amounts, wherever due, has been taken as per due process of law.

Sl.No.	Name of the Company	Amount (Rs.)
1	M/s. Ranbaxy Labs. Ltd.	36,22,850·00
2	M/s. Lyka Labs. Pvt. Ltd.	57,56,747·72
3	M/s. Lupin Labs. Pvt. Ltd.	215·89 lacs
4	M/s. Ethico Drugs & Chemicals Mfg. Company	1,40,97,889·00

Inadequate production of Drugs

70. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that production of certain drugs is not adequate and is being supplemented through imports by canalising agency;

(b) if so, what are the names of all those drugs alongwith the indigenous production as well as quantum of import of each drug during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether his Ministry has fixed any pool price of any drug;

(d) if so, the names of those drugs and the pool price fixed together with the indigenous and import price of each;

(e) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry is proposing to abolish the system of pool prices; and

(f) if so, what alternative proposal is being considered?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) Names of canalised bulk drugs alongwith their production during last three year to the extent available, are given in the attached statement-I. (*See* below). The details of imports to the extent available are given in the attached statement-II (*See* below).

(c) and (d) The required details to the extent available are given in the attached statement-III (*See* below).

(e) and (f) Details are contained in the booklet 'Measures for Rationalisation, Quality Control and Growth of Drugs and Pharmaceutical Industry in India' copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

Statement-I

Sl No	Name of the Bulk Drug		*Indigenous production of Bulk drug for last 3 years		
			1983-84	1984-85	1985-86
1	Acetyl Salicylic Acid (Aspirin)	T	1526.38	1061.33	1514.32
2	Amoxacillin	T	22.33	26.60	30.82
3	Ampicilline	T	123.64	190.79	212.66
4	Chloroquine	T	123.46	149.64	195.82
5	Doxycycline	T	1.82	4.56	9.98
6	Dapsone	T	29.42	7.31	7.93
7	Erythromycine	T	.1	36.03	62.86
8	Ethambutol	T	208.68	277.80	334.78
9	Methylodpa	T	10.93	19.04	31.79
10	Piperazine	T	53.45	28.78	34.68
11	Streptomycine	T	238.51	235.06	188.32
12	Vitamin A	MMU	61.24	60.58	61.03
13	Vit D3	Kg	267.09	236.20	348.67
14	Vit. E	Kg.	41.28	58.48	67.05
15	Menadione (Vit. K)	T	0.82	0.89	0.41
16	Vitamin C	T	834.26	716.23	651.26

* Includes all salts of bulk drugs.

Statement-II

Imports of Canalised drugs during **1983-84, 1984-85** *and* **1985-86**

Name of Drug	Unit	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86
Acetyl Salicyclic Acid (Aspirin)	Kgs,	8,900	Nil	51,025
Amoxycillin Trihydrate	Kgs.	6,551	7,244	210
Ampicillin Trihydrate	Kgs.	7,588	3,319	1,578
Chloroquine Salts (bulk)	Kgs.	19,480	1,00,216	1,20,200

Name of Drug	Unit	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86
Doxycycline HCL.	Kgs.	30	5	55
Dapsone	Kgs	13,055	8,000	15,049
Erythromycin Stearate	Kgs.	550	200	Nil
Erythromycin other salts	Kgs.	1,664	2,498	2,100
Ethambutol	Kgs.	2,000	Nil	Nil
Methyl Dopa	Kgs.	15,000	7,006	15,000
Piperazine.	..	Nil	Nil	Nil
Streptomycin Sulphate	Kg:.	9,704	Nil	Nil
Vitamin A (MU)	Kgs.	12,685	21,897	16,355
Vitemin D (MU)	Kgs.	Nil	0.5000	0.500
Vitamin E	Kg:.	Nil	Nil	50
Vitamin C (Ascorbic Acid)	MU	1,375	350	445
Menadione (Vit. K)	..	Nil	Nil	Nil

Statement III

Sl. No.	Name of the Bulk Drug	Unit	Pooled Price
1	2	3	4
1	Chloroquine phosphate	kg.	Rs. 544.00
2	Vitamin A Palmitate oily form	1000 MIU	716.00
3	Vitamin A Dry Powder Acetate	1000 MIU	1297.86
4	Dapsone	kg.	250.00
5	Methly Dopa	kg.	2148.00
6	Streptomycin	kg.	847.42